

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

EFS&T Dept. - APFDC Ltd., - Eco-tourism Projects – Mrugavani National Park, Chilkur Eco-tourism Project in RangaReddy District, A.P – Project awarded to the Developer M/s. Laxmi Jyothi Eco-Tourism and Jungle Resorts Pvt. Ltd., - Permission to operate certain facilities inside the Park – Orders – issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (For.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.70

Dated.13.08.2013

Read the followings:

1. G.O.Ms.No.54 EFS&T (For.II) Department dated: 26.06.2001.
2. G.O.Ms.No.39 Youth Advance Tourism & Culture (PMU) Department, dated: 09.06.2010.
3. From the Vice Chairman & Managing Director, AP Forest Development Corporation Ltd., Letter No.FDC/ET-2/11.29/18/MNP/ Vol.III /2010/12, dated: 07.01.2011.
4. From the PCCF (WL) & CWLW, Hyd., RC.No.56877/2010/WL3, dt:9.8.2011.
5. From Vice Chairman & Managing Director, APFDC Ltd., Lr. No.6.5.2502 /HDM/2011/ 3612, dated: 29.11.2011.
6. From the Director, M/s.LJ Eco-Tourism & Jungle Resorts Pvt. Ltd. Representation, dated: 18.02.2013
7. Govt. Memo No.8124/For.II (2)/2008, dated.11.03.2013.
8. From the PCCF (WL) & CWLW, Hyd., Rc.No.56877/2010/WL3, dated.18.03.2013.
9. Govt. Memo.No.8124/For.II (2)/2008, dated.07.05.2013.
10. From the PCCF (WL) Ref.No.56877/2010/WL3, dt.10.05.2013.
11. Govt. Memo. No. 8124/For.II (2)/2008, dated.06.06.2013.
12. From the PCCF (WL) Ref.No.56877/2010/WL3, dt.29.06.2013.

ORDER :

In the G.O. 1st read above, orders were issued for initiating action on the promotion of Eco-tourism Projects with the participation of the private sector as a new and innovative approach under Private-Public-Participation (PPP) mode, and the Government had designated A.P. Forest Development Corporation Limited (APFDC Ltd.) as its Nodal Agency for implementation of Eco-tourism Projects in Reserved Forests, Wildlife Sanctuaries, National Parks and Zoological Parks of the State. Accordingly, the Vice Chairman & Managing Director, A.P. Forest Development Corporation Ltd. has informed that the APFDC Ltd. will implement Mrugavani National Park, Chilkur in Rangareddy District, enlisted under PPP mode.

2. In the G.O 2nd read above, orders were issued by YAT&C Department awarding the Mrugavani National Park, Chilkur Eco-tourism Project to M/s. Laxmi Jyothi Eco-tourism and Jungle Resorts Pvt. Ltd., for implementing Eco-tourism projects with the Revenue Sharing Mechanism approved by the State Empowered Committee (SEC) chaired by Hon'ble Finance Minister and directed the APFDC Ltd., to take further action for implementing the Mrugavani National Park, Chilkur Eco-tourism Project after taking care of the norms stipulated in G.O. Ms.No.111, MA&UD Department, dated:8.3.1996 and the Developer is only responsible for any deviation of the above G.O while implementation of the project.

3. The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, A.P. Forest Development Corporation Ltd., has entered into the Concession Agreement (CA) with the Developer, M/s. Laxmi Jyothi Eco-tourism & Jungle Resorts Pvt. Ltd., on 19.11.2010 for implementing the project and it is decided to effect the commencement of Concession Agreement from 13.12.2010. As per the

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Concession Agreement, the Developer has to take up certain activities inside the National Park with the approval of Prl.CCF (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, A.P., Hyderabad.

4. The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, A.P. Forest Development Corporation Ltd. after obtaining the detailed Project Report and Business Plan in 2 parts i.e., Part-I and Part-II of the Mrugavani National Park, Chilkur Eco-tourism Project from the Developer, has submitted the proposal to Government through his letter 3rd read above for approval of the components in side the National Park.

5. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden in his letter 4th read above has reported that as per the Concession Agreement signed, certain components were listed inside National Park with the approval from APFDC/Chief Wildlife Warden, A.P. The same has been reassessed depending upon the requirement of the conservation/management of the National Park and approved in the meeting held on 06.08.2011 in the Chambers of Prl.CCF (WL) & CWLW, A.P., Hyderabad. In all (18) activities, at the cost of Rs.90.00 lakhs were initially agreed upon during the meeting, to be implemented in the Mrugavani National Park, Chilkur at the cost of the developer.

6. The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, A.P. Forest Development Corporation Ltd. in his letter 5th read above has requested the Government to approve the decision taken in the meetings held on 06.08.2011 and 22.08.2011 with regard to the activities inside the Mrugavani National Park and also the Revenue Sharing Mechanism to take further action for approval of Part-II of the Business Plan to the Developer i.e., M/s. Laxmi Jyothi Eco-tourism & Jungle Resorts Pvt. Ltd.

7. The Developer, M/s. Laxmi Jyothi Eco-tourism & Jungle Resorts Pvt. Ltd. in his representation 6th read above, requested the Government to allow them to operate the facilities inside the Park as mentioned in the Concession Agreement and approved in the meeting held on 22.08.2011 with Chief Wildlife Warden.

8. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden in his letter 8th read above has reported that the activities proposed to be taken up in the Mrugavani National Park with an expenditure of Rs.90.00 lakhs at the cost of the Developer were already taken up by the Forest Department itself with the funds provided by the Government for CoP-11 to CBD. Hence, there will not be any need for the developer to invest for this. Hence, there will not be any Sharing Mechanism between the Developer and APFDC Ltd. However, if the APFDC Ltd., desires that the developer to donate Two (02) Safari Vans (24 Seater each) run with CNG/Diesel/Petrol, the Department will welcome it.

9. The Government in the reference 9th read above has requested the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden to examine the representation of the Developer, M/s. Laxmi Jyothi Eco-tourism & Jungle Resorts Pvt. Ltd. to provide certain facilities inside the Mrugavani National Park and furnish a final report in consultation with Vice Chairman & Managing Director, A.P. Forests Development Corporation Ltd.

10. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden has submitted the detailed final reports with his specific recommendations in the references 10th and 12th read above.

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11. In view of the circumstances stated above, Government, after careful examination has decided to accept the recommendations made by the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Hyderabad. Accordingly, the Government hereby approve the recommendations made by Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Hyderabad and permitted the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden to provide the facilities inside the Mrugavani National Park Chilkur to the visitors sponsored by the Developer i.e., M/S Laxmi Jyothi Eco-Tourism & Jungle Resorts Pvt. Ltd. for a period of (5) Five years of lease at the rates and other conditions as recommended by CWLW which are detailed below:

1. Annual lease for Cafeteria Rs.30,000/- per annum with 5% increase every year.
2. Annual lease for Nature Camp area. Rs.12,000/- per annum with 5% increase every year and Rs.40/- per individual.
3. Safari ride. Rs.10/- per person (at present Rs.5/- proposed to charge double the amount)
4. Nataure Trail. Rs.10/- per adult & Rs.5/- for child below 12 years.
5. Annual lease for Mud-house ie., Cottage. Rs.50,000/- per annum for two cottages with 5% increase every year.
6. Lawns are to be adopted by Developer and to be maintained. The same may be utilized by Developer for assembling his visitors with the following conditions.

Conditions:

1. The Developer shall donate 2 - (25) Seater Vans of CNG/Diesel through APFDC. (2 Nos. Eicher 10.50 starling CNG staff bus with 23+1+1 (standard seats) on 3350 mm WB BS 4-Price - Rs.13.00 lakhs (approximately).
2. The total amount paid / due from Developer shall be kept with APFDC account, for departmental use in maintaining of services in Mrugavani National Park.
3. APFDC shall be permitted to charge handling charges as is being done in other schemes of APFDC.
4. The Developer will be permitted to bring their visitors for Safari drive in his vehicle if the Developer so desires, inside the designated area of the National Park and as approved by the CWLW from time to time. The number of vehicles and number of visitors permitted per day shall be fixed by the CWLW, AP. The Developer will pay the tariff of Safari drive as indicated in item No.3 above.
5. A committee will be constituted with CWLW AP, VC&MD, APFDC Ltd., and representatives of Developer to discuss and sort out issues, if any, arising from time to time in the implementation of project inside the National Park.
6. A Tripartite Agreement shall be entered by the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Vice Chairman & Managing Director, A.P. Forest Development Corporation Ltd., and the Developer.

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12. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, A.P and the Vice Chairman & Managing Director, A.P. Forest Development Corporation Ltd., shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

M. SAMUEL
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

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The Vice Chairman & Managing Director,
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